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House Approves Funds for Defense Education Requested by President

The House of Representatives on March 24 passed the Supplemental Appropriation Bill for fiscal 1959 with an amendment restoring the entire amount of $75.3 million requested by the Administration for the National Defense Education Act. The final vote was the climax of a chain of events which began on Friday, March 20, when the Appropriations Committee reported out a bill cutting the Administration request by $50.3 million, leaving only $25 million specifically allocated to student loans.

Since it was announced on Friday that the bill would be rushed to the floor of the House with the objective of securing a vote on Tuesday, there was no time for the Council to distribute a Bulletin to the full membership. President Arthur S. Adams, however, issued a statement to the press on Saturday in which he expressed shocked surprise at the action of the Appropriations Committee.

"The $50.3 million asked by the Administration for these seven programs was $51.5 million below the amounts authorized by Congress," he said, "and it is now evident that the Appropriations Committee has gone even farther to make impossible the orderly carrying out of the legislation as originally enacted.

"The Committee has dealt especially severe blows to the improvement of instruction in science, mathematics, and foreign languages, to fellowships for the training of college teachers, to improvement of student counselling and guidance, and to the programs of media research, statistical services, and vocational education. The $25 million approved for student loans will be helpful, but even this is $16.5 million less than the amount originally authorized.

"I hope that the House will restore the funds for these programs when the bill comes to the floor next Tuesday. Having taken credit for a significant move to strengthen education, Congress should keep its promise to the American people." (For a detailed analysis explaining the totals mentioned by Dr. Adams, see this Bulletin, Vol. VIII, No 8).

On Monday, March 23, Dr. Arthur S. Flemming, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, made a similarly strong and more detailed statement at his press conference urging restoration of the full amount requested by the Administration. He concluded, "In view of the fact that the emergency that brought about the passage of the National Defense Education Act has not lessened in any degree, in view of the soundness of the programs included in the act, in view of the overwhelming response to the Federal Government's leadership in these areas by the states and by our institutions of higher education, and in view of the fact that every day that is lost in implementing these programs weakens our position in the field of national security, I am at a complete loss to understand the drastic action recommended by the House Appropriations Committee."

On the same day, the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare released a list of proposed graduate fellowships under Title IV of the Act. (See below). Presidents of institutions having fellowship programs dependent on the supplemental appropriation were notified immediately by President Adams, and many of them took appropriate action before the House convened on Tuesday.

This bill, H.R. 5916, now goes to the Senate, where it will be considered after the Easter recess. The Council's Committee on Relationships of Higher Education to the Federal Government has voted to request that the $75.3 million approved by the House be increased to $143.3 million, the amount originally authorized in the Act itself.

Proposed Graduate Fellowships
Title IV, National Defense Education Act of 1958
1959-60

State	Institution	Authorized* (Under Present Funds)	Total No. of Fellowships (Under Present and Supplemental Funds)
Alabama	Alabama Poly. Inst.	4	8
	Univ. of Alabama		11
Arizona	Univ. of Arizona	4	16
Arkansas	Univ. of Arkansas	3	12
California	Calif. Inst. of Tech.		2
	Univ. of Calif. (Berkeley)	2	13
	Univ. of Calif. (Davis)		2
	Univ. of Calif. (L.A.)		15
	Claremont Graduate School		9
	Occidental College		9
	Univ. of Southern Calif.		8
	Stanford University	3	18
Colorado	Univ. of Colorado	5	12
	Colorado State Univ.	3	7
	Univ. of Denver		5
Connecticut	Univ. of Connecticut		14
Delaware	Univ. of Delaware	3	5
District of Columbia	American University		5
	Catholic University	2	2
	Howard University	3	3
	Georgetown University		5
	Geo. Washington University		8
Florida	Fla. State Univ.	6	20
	Univ. of Florida		4
	Univ. of Miami		7
Georgia	Emory University	3	9
	Ga. Inst. of Tech.		7
	Univ. of Georgia		6
Hawaii	Univ. of Hawaii	3	8
Idaho	Univ. of Idaho	2	15
Illinois	Univ. of Chicago		8
	Illinois Inst. of Tech.		3
	Univ. of Illinis		13
	Loyola University		4
	Northwestern University	2	8
	So. Illinois University		4
Indiana	Univ. of Indiana	5	20
	Notre Dame Univ.		6
	Purdue University		7
Iowa	State Univ. of Iowa	2	8
	Iowa State College		2

State	Institution	Authorized*	No. of Fellowships
Kansas	Kansas State College	2	9
	University of Kansas		14
Kentucky	Univ. of Kentucky	2	13
	Univ. of Louisville		2
Louisiana	La. State Univ.		8
	Tulane Univ.	4	19
Maine	University of Maine		10
Maryland	Johns Hopkins Univ.	3	9
	Univ. of Maryland		5
Massachusetts	Boston University		7
	Brandeis University		3
	University of Mass.		10
	Tufts University		3
	Worcester Poly. Inst.		1
	Mass. Inst. of Tech.		4
Michigan	Univ. of Michigan	4	8
	Michigan State Univ.		8
	Wayne State. Univ.		3
Minnesota	Univ. of Minnesota		17
Mississippi	Miss. State College		11
	Univ. of Miss.	4	11
Missouri	Univ. of Missouri	8	10
	St. Louis University	5	5
	Washington University		12
Montana	Montana State Univ.	3	12
Nebraska	University of Nebraska		8
New Jersey	Rutgers University		9
	Stevens Inst. of Tech.		3
New Mexico	New Mexico State Univ.	5	5
	Univ. of New Mexico		7
New York	Alfred University		4
	Brooklyn Poly. Inst.		8
	Univ. of Buffalo		3
	Columbia University		3
	Cornell University		11
	New School for Social Research		4
	New York University	3	3
	Rensselaer Poly. Inst.		5
	Univ. of Rochester		8
	Union Theological Sem.		5
North Carolina	Duke University	3	15
	N.C. State Univ.		15
	University of N.C.	2	13
North Dakota	Univ. of North Dakota		4
	North Dakota Agric. College	4	4
Ohio	Univ. of Cincinnati		4
	Ohio University		10
	Western Reserve University		3

State	Institution	Authorized*	No. of Fellowships
Oklahoma	Okla. State Univ.		15
	Univ. of Oklahoma	3	12
Oregon	Oregon State College		6
	Oregon State College & Linfield College		3
	University of Oregon	4	18
Pennsylvania	Bryn Mawr		3
	Carnegie Inst. of Tech.		5
	Dropsie College		3
	Lehigh University		1
	Penna. State Univ.	3	8
	Univ. of Pennsylvania		11
	Univ. of Pittsburgh	3	3
Rhode Island	Univ. of Rhode Island	4	4
	Brown University		8
South Carolina	Clemson A. & M. College		8
	Univ. of South Carolina	3	3
South Dakota	South Dakota State Univ.		4
Tennessee	Geo. Peabody Teachers College	3	7
	Univ. of Tenn.		12
	Vanderbilt Univ.	4	16
Texas	Baylor University		4
	Rice Institute		5
	Univ. of Texas	3	10
	Texas A. & M.	4	12
	Univ. of Houston		4
	Texas Tech. College		3
Utah	Brigham Young University		1
	Univ. of Utah		14
	Utah State Univ.	4	4
Vermont	Univ. of Vermont	2	5
Virginia	Va. Poly. Inst.		9
	Univ. of Va.	3	17
Washington	State College of Washington		7
	Univ. of Washington	2	20
West Virginia	West Virginia Univ.	2	4
Wisconsin	Univ. of Wisconsin	3	6
Wyoming	Univ. of Wyoming	3	9
	TOTAL FELLOWSHIPS	160	1,000

* Ten additional fellowships have been authorized to allow for non-acceptance

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